Low-Carb Pesto Caprese Chicken Casserole

Hands-on 10 minutes Overall 1 hour

Nutritional values (per serving): Total carbs: 4.6 g, Fiber: 1.3 g, Net carbs: 3.2 g,

Protein: 50.7 g, Fat: 28.9 g, Calories: 486 kcal,

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Ingredients (makes 8 servings)

3 lbs chicken cutlets, breasts (1.36 kg)

1 tsp salt

1/2 tsp black pepper

3/4 cup pesto (188 g/ 6.6 oz) - you can make your own pesto

3 oz baby spinach (85 g)

1 pint cherry tomatoes (300 g/ 10.6 oz)

13 oz fresh mozzarella (370 g)

1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese (45 g/ 1.6 oz)

fresh basil, for garnish

Note: Using chicken thighs instead of chicken breasts will decrease the protein and increase the fat content per serving. If using skinless and boneless chicken thighs: 47 g protein, and 31 g fat.

Instructions

- Preheat your oven to 220 °C/ 425 °F (Update: based on feedback, preheat the oven to 200 °C/ 400 °F). Season the chicken cutlets with salt and pepper. Layer half of the cutlets into the bottom of a large casserole dish. Top with half the pesto, ...
- ... half the spinach, and half of the mozzarella. Repeat with another layer.
- Top the casserole with the parmesan cheese and add the cherry tomatoes to the sides.
- 4. Bake for 45-50 minutes (Update: based on feedback, cook for 40-45 minutes) or until the chicken is cooked through and the cheese is golden and bubbly. If you'd like you can place the casserole under the broiler for 3-4 minutes to crisp up the cheese at the end.
- Sprinkle with fresh basil and serve. To store, let it cool down and keep refrigerate for up to 4 days.

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